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In re Provisional Application of:  
Volker Kronseder et al.

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For: BEVERAGE CAN WITH A PROTECTIVE COVER, A BLANK FOR A PROTECTIVE COVER, AS WELL AS A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR APPLICATION OF A PROTECTIVE COVER TO BEVERAGE CANS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

### STATUS INQUIRY

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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

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Respectfully submitted,

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